



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
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SETH WRIGHT, TREASURER
VIVEK 2024
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Response Due Date
10/31/2023

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00833913

REFERENCE: AMENDED JULY QUARTERLY REPORT (04/01/2023 - 06/30/2023),
RECEIVED 09/22/2023

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. **Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action.** Additional information is needed for the following 2 item(s):

1. Schedule A-P of your report discloses one or more contributions that appear to exceed the limits set forth in the Act (see attached). The Commission notes your additional explanation regarding the committee's corrective action taken for some of these contributions.

An individual or a political committee other than an authorized committee or a qualified multi-candidate committee may not make a contribution(s) to a candidate for federal office in excess of \$3,300 per election. An authorized committee may not make a contribution(s) to a candidate for federal office in excess of \$2,000 per election. A qualified multi-candidate committee and all affiliated committees may not make a contribution(s) to a candidate for federal office in excess of \$5,000 per election. The term "contribution" includes any gift, subscription, loan, advance, or deposit of money or anything of value made by any person for the purpose of influencing any election for federal office. (52 U.S.C. § 30116(a) and (f) (formerly 2 U.S.C. § 441a(a) and (f)); 11 CFR §§ 110.1(b), (e) and (k), and 102.13(c))

If any apparently excessive contribution in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you must amend your original report with clarifying information.

Please be reminded that all refunds, redesignations and reattributions must be

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made within 60 days of receipt of the contribution. To date, one or more of the apparent excessive contributions have not been refunded, redesignated, or reattributed.

For reattributions, the funds can be retained if, within 60 days of receipt, the excessive amount was properly reattributed to another person. An excessive contribution is considered properly reattributed if (1) the contributors provide the committee with written documentation, signed by each contributor, authorizing a reattribution and indicating the amount of the contribution to be attributed to each contributor; or (2) the committee reattributes by presumption the excessive portion of the contribution if the contribution was made on a written instrument from a joint account and was signed by only one of the account holders. In this case, the treasurer must notify the contributors in writing within 60 days of receiving the contribution that the committee intends to reattribute the excessive portion and must give the contributor who signed the check an opportunity to request a refund. (11 CFR § 110.1(k)(3)(ii)(B))

For redesignations, the funds can be retained if, within 60 days of receipt, the excessive amount was properly designated for a different election. An excessive contribution is considered properly redesignated if (1) the committee obtains signed written documentation from the contributor(s) authorizing the redesignation of the contribution for another election, provided that the new designation does not exceed the limitations on contributions made with respect to that election; or (2) the committee redesignates by presumption the excessive portion of the contribution for another election, provided that the new designation does not exceed the limitations on contributions made with respect to that election. In this case, the treasurer must notify the contributor of the redesignation in writing within 60 days of the treasurer's receipt of the contribution. The notification must give the contributor an opportunity to request a refund. (11 CFR § 110.1(b)(5)(ii)(B)) A contribution can only be redesignated to a previous election to the extent that the contribution does not exceed the committee's net debts outstanding for that election. (11 CFR § 110.1(b)(3)(i))

If the foregoing conditions for reattributions or redesignations are not met within 60 days of receipt, the excessive amount must be refunded. (11 CFR § 103.3(b)(1))

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action immediately in writing and provide photocopies of any refund checks and/or letters reattributing or redesignating the contributions in question. Refunds are reported on Line 28(a), (b), or (c), as applicable, of the Detailed Summary Page and on a supporting

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Schedule B-P of the report covering the period in which they are made. Redesignations and reattributions are reported as memo entries on Schedule A-P of the report covering the period in which the authorization for the redesignation and/or reattribution is received. (11 CFR § 104.8(d)(2), (3) and (4))

Although the Commission may take further legal action concerning the acceptance of excessive contributions, your prompt action to refund or redesignate and/or reattribute the excessive amount will be taken into consideration.

2. Schedules A-P and B-P of your report disclose expenditures from the candidate's personal funds on behalf of the committee. Authorized committees must disclose all expenditures from personal funds made by the candidates on behalf of their committees, just as they would disclose any other disbursements that they may make. Out-of-pocket spending by candidates, as agents of their authorized committees, requires memo entry itemization of the ultimate vendor if the aggregate amount of payments to that vendor exceeds \$200 for the election cycle. The memo entry must include the date, amount, and purpose of the out-of-pocket payments, as well as the name and address of the vendor to which payment was made. Please amend your report to include the missing information on Schedule B or indicate that memo entry itemization is not required. (52 U.S.C. §30104(b)(4), (5), (6)(A) (formerly 2 U.S.C. §§ 434(b)(4), (5), (6)(A)); 11 CFR § 104.3(b)(4); Federal Register Notice 2013-09)

Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses must be received by the Commission on or before the due date noted above to be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action. **Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.**

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. For information about the report review process or specific filing information for your committee type, please visit www.fec.gov/help-candidates-and-committees. For more information about Requests for Additional Information (RAFI), why you received a letter, and how to respond, please visit www.fec.gov/help-candidates-and-committees/request-additional-information. Should you have any questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt

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press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1142.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Shannon Ringgold". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Shannon Ringgold

Senior Campaign Finance Analyst

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**Apparent Excessive, Prohibited, and Impermissible Contributions
Vivek 2024 (C00833913)**

Apparent Excessive Contributions from Individuals

Contributor Name	Date	Amount	Election
Anderson, Craig	5/17/23	\$5,000.00	P2024
Atkins, Randall	6/7/23	\$6,600.00	P2024
Aycoth, John	6/22/23	\$5,000.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau	3/23/23	\$50.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau	3/28/23	\$5.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau	3/30/23	\$5.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau	3/30/23	\$1.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau	3/30/23	\$1.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau	3/30/23	\$1.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau	3/31/23	\$7.50	P2024
Bakari, Kamau	3/31/23	\$50.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau	3/31/23	\$7.50	P2024
Bakari, Kamau	3/31/23	\$5.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau	3/31/23	\$10.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau	3/31/23	\$10.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau	3/31/23	\$18.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau	3/31/23	\$25.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau	3/31/23	\$10.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	4/3/23	\$42.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	4/9/23	\$10.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	4/14/23	\$50.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	4/15/23	\$1.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	4/19/23	\$10.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	4/19/23	\$7.50	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	4/19/23	\$10.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	4/19/23	\$10.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	4/22/23	\$100.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	4/22/23	\$7.50	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	4/22/23	\$10.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	4/24/23	\$10.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	4/24/23	\$28.99	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	4/24/23	\$7.50	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	4/24/23	\$30.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	4/26/23	\$100.00	P2024

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Apparent Excessive Contributions from Individuals

Contributor Name	Date	Amount	Election
Bakari, Kamau Akil	4/26/23	\$50.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	4/26/23	\$10.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	4/26/23	\$7.50	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	4/28/23	\$50.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	4/28/23	\$50.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	4/28/23	\$7.50	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	4/28/23	\$10.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	4/28/23	\$5.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	4/30/23	\$10.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	5/2/23	\$7.50	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	5/2/23	\$50.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	5/2/23	\$30.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	5/2/23	\$7.50	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	5/2/23	\$25.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	5/2/23	\$10.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	5/2/23	\$50.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	5/2/23	\$10.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	5/10/23	\$5.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	5/10/23	\$5.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	5/10/23	\$10.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	5/10/23	\$7.50	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	5/16/23	\$2,000.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	5/16/23	\$50.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	5/21/23	\$1.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	5/21/23	\$7.50	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	5/21/23	\$1.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	5/28/23	\$5.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	5/31/23	\$7.50	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	5/31/23	\$5.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	5/31/23	\$1.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	5/31/23	\$1.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	5/31/23	\$500.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	6/6/23	\$7.50	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	6/6/23	\$10.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	6/6/23	\$25.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	6/14/23	\$5.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	6/14/23	\$7.50	P2024

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Apparent Excessive Contributions from Individuals

Contributor Name	Date	Amount	Election
Bakari, Kamau Akil	6/14/23	\$10.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	6/15/23	\$1.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	6/16/23	\$5.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	6/16/23	\$5.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	6/16/23	\$7.50	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	6/16/23	\$3.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	6/23/23	\$10.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	6/23/23	\$7.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	6/23/23	\$7.50	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	6/26/23	\$600.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	6/28/23	\$5.00	P2024
Bakari, Kamau Akil	6/30/23	\$5.00	P2024
Cody, Harvey	4/19/23	\$3,300.00	P2024
Cody, Harvey	4/21/23	-\$2.00	P2024
Cody, Harvey	6/5/23	\$250.00	P2024
Cody, Harvey	6/29/23	\$1,000.00	P2024
Edwards, Pete Jr.	5/23/23	\$6,600.00	P2024
Fisher, Kenneth	6/16/23	\$6,600.00	P2024
Fisher, Sherrilyn	6/16/23	\$6,600.00	P2024
Gilliam, Richard B.	6/11/23	\$6,600.00	P2024
Hall, Gerard	5/30/23	\$10.00	P2024
Hall, Gerard	5/30/23	\$5,000.00	P2024
Lauter, Robert	5/24/23	\$6,600.00	P2024
Mantena, Raj	6/21/23	\$6,600.00	P2024
Martin, Dina	6/30/23	\$6,600.00	P2024
Martin, R. Brad	6/30/23	\$6,600.00	P2024

**Apparent Excessive, Prohibited, and Impermissible Contributions
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Apparent Excessive Contributions from Individuals

Contributor Name	Date	Amount	Election
Matlock, Betsy B. Ms.	5/23/23	\$5,000.00	P2024
Miller, Henry	3/9/23	\$250.00	P2024
Miller, Henry	3/9/23	\$5.00	P2024
Miller, Henry	6/21/23	\$13,200.00	P2024
Noble, Scott	5/23/23	\$6,600.00	P2024
Peck, John Jr.	4/4/23	\$100.00	P2024
Peck, John Jr.	4/11/23	\$100.00	P2024
Peck, John Jr.	4/14/23	\$250.00	P2024
Peck, John Jr.	4/15/23	\$250.00	P2024
Peck, John Jr.	4/30/23	\$50.00	P2024
Peck, John Jr.	5/4/23	\$100.00	P2024
Peck, John Jr.	5/11/23	\$100.00	P2024
Peck, John Jr.	5/16/23	\$50.00	P2024
Peck, John Jr.	6/4/23	\$3,300.00	P2024
Peck, John Jr.	6/4/23	\$100.00	P2024
Peck, John Jr.	6/11/23	\$250.00	P2024
Peck, John Jr.	6/11/23	\$100.00	P2024
Peck, John Jr.	6/11/23	\$10.00	P2024
Peck, John Jr.	6/15/23	\$250.00	P2024
Pope, Alan	3/16/23	\$2,500.00	P2024
Pope, Alan	5/16/23	\$1,000.00	P2024
Sall, Steven	6/16/23	\$5,000.00	P2024
Sokol, David	6/19/23	\$13,200.00	P2024
Steinlauf, Ronald	5/14/23	\$1,000.00	P2024
Steinlauf, Ronald	5/19/23	\$6,600.00	P2024
Symonds, William	4/22/23	\$1.00	P2024
Symonds, William	5/22/23	\$6,350.00	P2024
Symonds, William	5/22/23	\$1.00	P2024

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Contributor Name	Date	Amount	Election
Tzagournis, Cindy	4/12/23	\$50.00	P2024
Tzagournis, Cindy	4/15/23	\$50.00	P2024
Tzagournis, Cindy	5/16/23	\$3,300.00	P2024
Woodruff, Troy	6/30/23	\$13,200.00	P2024
Yalamanchili, Chowdary	6/28/23	\$5,000.00	P2024